## FORMER MEMBERS OF **UNIVERSITY GOVERNING BOARDS**

## REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN, 1837-20071

WI P: 11 1027	11 1050 10/2
Thomas Fitzgerald	Henry Whiting
Robert McClelland 1837	Oliver L. Spaulding
Michael Hoffman	Luke Parsons
John F. Porter	Edward C. Walker 1864-1881
Lucius Lyon	George Willard
John Norvell	Thomas D. Gilbert
Seba Murphy	Thomas J. Joslin
John J. Adam	Henry C. Knight
Samuel Denton	Alvah Sweetzer
Gideon O. Whittemore 1837-1840	James A. Sweezey 1864-1871
Henry Schoolcraft	Cyrus M. Stockwell
Isaac E. Crary	J. M. B. Sill
Ross Wilkins	Hiram A. Burt
Zina Pitcher	Joseph Estabrook
Gurdon C. Leech	Jonas H. McGowan
Jonathan Kearsley	Claudius B. Grant
Joseph W. Brown	Charles Rynd
Charles C. Trowbridge 1839-1842	Andrew Climie
George Duffield	Byron M. Cutcheon
Daniel Hudson	Samuel S. Walker
Samuel W. Dexter	Victory P. Collier
Francis J. Higginson 1840-1841	George Duffield, Jr 1877-1885
Michael A. Patterson	George L. Maltz
William Draper	Jacob J. Van Riper
Oliver C. Comstock	Ebenezer O. Grosvenor 1880-1887
George Goodman	James Shearer
John Owen	Austin Blair
Martin Kundig	James F. Joy
Randolph Manning 1842	Lyman D. Norris
Andrew M. Fitch	Arthur M. Clark
Elisha Crane	Charles J. Willett
William A. Fletcher	Charles S. Draper
Lewis Cass	Moses W. Field
DeWitt C. Walker	Charles R. Whitman
Marvin Allen	Roger W. Butterfield
Robert R. Kellogg	Charles Hebard
Edward Mundy	Hermann Kiefer
Alexander H. Redfield 1844-1852	William J. Cocker <sup>2</sup> 1890-1901
Minot T. Lane	Peter N. Cook
Austin E. Wing	Henry Howard
Elon Farnsworth	Levi Barbour
Charles C. Taylor	Henry S. Dean
Elijah Pilcher	Frank W. Fletcher
John G. Atterbury	Charles H. Hackley 1896
Justus Goodwin	George A. Farr
Benjamin F. H. Witherell 1848-1852	Charles D. Lawton
Edwin M. Cust	Eli R. Sutton <sup>3</sup>
Robert McClelland 1850-1852	Arthur Hill <sup>4</sup>
Gustavus L. Foster	Levi Barbour
Epaphroditus Ransom	Henry W. Carey
Andrew Parsons	Peter White <sup>5</sup>
Elisha Ely	Loyal E. Knappen <sup>6</sup> 1904-1911
James Kingsley	Walter H. Sawyer <sup>7</sup> 1906-1931
Edward S. Moore 1852-1857	Chase S. Osborn <sup>8</sup> 1908-1911
Charles H. Palmer	Frank B. Leland
Michael F. Patterson	Junius E. Beal
William Upjohn	John H. Grant <sup>9</sup>
	Joint H. Grand D. Coddill 1010 1011
Henry H. Northrop	George P. Codd <sup>10</sup>
George W. Pack	William L. Clements
John Van Vleck	Harry C. Bulkley
Benjamin L. Baxter 1858-1863	Benjamin S. Hanchett <sup>11</sup> 1911-1929
Levi Bishop	Lucius L. Hubbard <sup>12</sup> 1911-1933
George Bradley	William Comstock 1913
Ebenezer L. Brown	Victor M. Gore
William M. Ferry	James O. Murfin
J. Eastman Johnson	Ralph Stone
Donald McIntyre	Esther March Cram <sup>13</sup> 1929-1943

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R. Perry Shorts <sup>14</sup> 1930-1934	Robert P. Briggs <sup>24</sup> 1964-1968
Richard R. Smith 1931-1937	William B. Cudlip 1964-1973
Edmund C. Shields 1933-1935	Alvin M. Bentley <sup>25</sup> 1966-1969
Charles F. Hemans 1934-1941	Frederick C. Matthaei, Jr 1967-1969
Franklin M. Cook	Otis M. Smith
David H. Crowley 1936-1943	Robert J. Brown <sup>26</sup> 1967-1975
John D. Lynch	Gertrude V. Huebner 1967-1975
Edmund C. Shields 1938-1945	Lawrence B. Lindemer <sup>27</sup> 1968-1975
Harry G. Kipke	Gerald R. Dunn
J. Joseph Herbert 1940-1955	Robert E. Nederlander 1969-1985
Alfred B. Connable 1942-1957	Paul W. Brown 1971-1994
Earl L. Burhans <sup>15</sup>	James L. Waters 1971-1994
Franklin M. Cook <sup>16</sup> 1942-1943	Deane Baker
Vera Burridge Baits 1943-1957	Sarah Goddard Power <sup>28</sup> 1975-1987
R. Spencer Bishop <sup>17</sup> 1943-1946	Thomas A. Roach 1975-1991
Ralph A. Hayward <sup>18</sup> 1944-1951	David Laro
Roscoe O. Bonisteel 1946-1959	Nellie M. Varner
Otto E. Eckert	Neal D. Nielsen
Charles S. Kennedy 1946-1961	Veronica Latta Smith 1985-1993
Kenneth M. Stevens 1948-1955	Philip H. Power
Murray D. Van Wagoner 1951	Shirley M. McFee 1991-1999
Leland I. Doan	Laurence B. Deitch 1993-
Paul L. Adams <sup>19</sup> 1956-1957	Rebecca McGowan 1993-
Eugene B. Power <sup>20</sup> 1956-1966	Andrea Fischer Newman 1995-
Donald M. D. Thurber 1958-1963	Daniel D. Horning 1995-2003
Carl Brablec	Olivia P. Maynard 1997-
Irene Ellis Murphy 1958-1967	S. Martin Taylor 1997-
William K. McInally <sup>21</sup> 1960-1964	David A. Brandon 1999-2006
Frederick C. Matthaei <sup>22</sup> 1960-1967	Katherine E. White 1999-
Paul G. Goebel	Andrew C. Richner 2003-
Allan R. Sorenson <sup>23</sup> 1962-1967	Julia Donovan Darlow 2007-

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Originally established as the Catholepistemiad or University of Michigania by an act of the territorial legislature in 1817, the first governing board of the institution consisted of the president and didactors or professors appointed by the governor. See An Act to establish the Catholepistemiad or University of Michigania (1817) Laws of the Territory of Michigania (1817) and the Catholepistemiad or University of Michigania (1817) Laws of the Territory of Michigania (1817) and the Catholepistemiad or University of Michigania (1817) and the Catholepistemiad (181

establish the Catholepistemiad, or University of Michigania (1817), Laws of the Territory of Michigan. The governing board In 1821, the territorial legislature established the university in Detroit as The University of Michigan. The governing board became a board of 21 trustees, to serve at the pleasure of the legislature and whose vacancies were to be filled by the legislature. The members of this first board were appointed in the act. See An Act for the establishment of An University (1821). An 1831 amendment changed the manner in which the trustees were chosen, making them appointments by the governor by and with the advice and consent of the legislative council. See An Act to amend the several acts to provide for the establishment of the University of Michigan (1831), Laws of the Territory of Michigan.

Act LV of 1837 reorganized the government of The University of Michigan by vesting responsibility in a 12-member board of regents to be appointed by the governor by and with the advice and consent of the senate. The first members appointed under the provisions of Act No. LV were divided into classes of 3, each class serving terms of 1, 2, 3, and 4 years. A subsequent amendment provided for the appointment of 3 members for 4-year terms beginning January 1, 1838. See Revised Statutes of 1838, tile XI cb. 2

With the implementation of the Constitution of 1850, the post of regent became an elective one, with 1 regent elected in each judicial circuit for a term to be the same as that of a circuit judge. Act 25 of 1851 called for the first election of regents on the first Monday in April of 1851 and every sixth year thereafter. During this period the size of the board ranged from 8 to 10 members.

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The Constitution of 1908 did not change the composition or terms of the board; it merely called for the election of regents to occur at the regular biennial spring election, independently of elections for other state posts.

Implementation of the Constitution of 1963 resulted in the extension of the terms of the sitting board (Brablec, Murphy, McInally, Matthaei, Goebel, Sorenson, Cudlip and E. Power) with the enactment of Act 23 of the 2nd Extra Session of 1963. The first election of regents under the provisions of the Constitution of 1963 occurred at the November 1966 general election. See Act 5 of the 2nd Extra Session of 1963.

- <sup>2</sup>Deceased; succeeded by Arthur Hill June 10, 1901.
- <sup>3</sup>Resigned; succeeded by Levi Barbour June 20, 1902.
- <sup>4</sup>Deceased; succeeded by John H. Grant December 23, 1909.
- <sup>5</sup>Deceased; succeeded by Chase S. Osborn July 3, 1908.
- <sup>6</sup>Resigned; succeeded by Benjamin S. Hanchett April 3, 1911.
- <sup>7</sup>Deceased; succeeded by Richard R. Smith May 11, 1931.
- <sup>8</sup>Resigned; succeeded by Lucius L. Hubbard January 11, 1911.
- <sup>9</sup>Deceased; succeeded by William Comstock February 14, 1913.
- 10 Resigned; succeeded by Harry C. Bulkley April 7, 1911.
- 11 Resigned; succeeded by Esther March Cram November 1, 1929.
- 12 Resigned; succeeded by Edmund C. Shields January 11, 1933.
- 13 Resigned; succeeded by R. Spencer Bishop January 28, 1943.
- 14 Resigned; succeeded by James O. Murfin March 21, 1934.
- <sup>15</sup> Following the April 7, 1941, election at which voters elected Burhans to the Board of Regents, third-place finisher Franklin M. Cook sought to oust Burhans from the office, on the grounds that Burhans had no legal right to the seat. Burhans, who at the time of his election to the Board of Regents held the office of state senator from the 8th district, answered that the board office was his by right of a valid election. The secretary of state certified the election of Burhans and the other winning candidate, and Burhans had filed his oath as a regent and acted in that capacity. Cook asked the court to oust Burhans and to rule that he was the regent.

## REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN (Cont.)

Citing the provisions of Const. 1908, art. 5, \$7, and a previous decision, the Michigan Supreme Court held that Burhans was not a regent of the University of Michigan because every vote cast for him was void. The constitutional provisions and case law the court cited prohibited a member of the legislature from receiving any civil or elected appointment during the term for which the member was elected. The court also dismissed Burhans' contention that the regents were not state officers, but only officers of a corporate body known as the board of regents of the university. In dismissing the claim, the court again cited its previous decisions establishing the Board of Regents as a department of the state, created by the constitution to perform state functions.

Stating, "Defendant is a usurper in the office of regent... this ouster creates a vacancy in the office of regent," the court ousted Burhans on December 23, 1942. The court did, however, disagree on the means of filling the vacancy. The governor resolved the issue by appointing Franklin M. Cook to succeed Burhans on December 24, 1942. See *Attorney General, ex rel Cook v Burhans*, 304 Mich. 108 (1941).

- <sup>16</sup> Deceased; succeeded by Vera Burridge Baits May 21, 1943.
- <sup>17</sup> Deceased; succeeded by Roscoe O. Bonisteel November 2, 1946.
- <sup>18</sup> Resigned; succeeded by Murray D. Van Wagoner January 24, 1951.
- <sup>19</sup> Resigned to become Michigan attorney general; succeeded by Donald M. D. Thurber January 4, 1958.
- <sup>20</sup> Resigned; succeeded by Alvin M. Bentley April 4, 1966.
- <sup>21</sup> Deceased; succeeded by Robert P. Briggs November 10, 1964.
- <sup>22</sup>Resigned; succeeded by Frederick C. Matthaei, Jr. June 12, 1967.
- 23 Resigned; succeeded by Otis M. Smith March 7, 1967.
- <sup>24</sup> Resigned; succeeded by Lawrence B. Lindemer May 15, 1968.
- <sup>25</sup> Deceased; succeeded by Lawrence B. Lindemer April 23, 1969.
- <sup>26</sup> First members elected under Constitution of 1963; Act 5 of the 2nd Extra Session of 1963; Act 23 of the 2nd Extra Session of 1963.
- <sup>27</sup> Resigned; succeeded by David Laro June 3, 1975.
- <sup>28</sup> Deceased; succeeded by Philip H. Power June 17, 1987.

Sources: Archives, Michigan Department of State Record of Civil Officers, 1835-1962; Bentley Historical Library, University of Michigan; Bureau of Elections, Michigan Department of State; Constitutions of the State of Michigan; Great Seal Office, Michigan Department of State Record of Civil Officers, 1963 - present; Laws of Michigan; Laws of the Territory of Michigan; Michigan Reports, Volume 304; Public and Local Acts of Michigan; and Revised Statutes of 1846.